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SANFORD VICTORY PLEASES.

SIR JOHN JOHNSON LOUDLY CHEERED WHEN HE DEFEATS ROYAL TOURIST.

Mediant Wins and Ties a Track Record—Preceptor Falls Lame—Saratoga Form Big Personal Liberty League Branch.

Saratoga, N. Y., August 4.—When General Sanford's three-year-old racer, Sir John Johnson, won the Huron Handicap of one mile and three-sixteenths at Saratoga today in nearly record time from the fleet Whitney pair, Royal Tourist, and Delirium, after a heart-breaking struggle in which the issue was in doubt until in very nearly the last stride, friends and strangers alike rendered homage to the venerable nestor of the turf and his gallant thoroughbred. The demonstration of applause commenced when the winner flashed past the imaginary finishing line, increased in volume until he returned with drooping head and heaving sides to be unsaddled at the stewards' stand and rose to a climax when the man who thus honored rose to his feet with a radiant countenance and acknowledged the extraordinary compliment paid him. General Sanford was literally overwhelmed with congratulations during the afternoon, nearly every one of note and prominence joining in making the occasion memorable. It was an incident that made a profound and lasting impression upon every person present.

Though opposed by a formidable and supposedly invincible pair in Royal Tourist and Delirium, the success of Sir John Johnson was not altogether unexpected by his stable connections, owing to the markedly forward condition in which he stripped for today's race. The lancers held him in high respect, the best price obtainable at any sale of the oral betting being 16 to 5. The big wagering was confined to the Whitney entry. The rank and file, particularly up-staters, remained loyal to the Sanford candidate. Sir John Johnson drew out with a rush and made the running by a wide margin at a comparatively slow early pace, and Sweet, his jockey, was making the most of the errors committed by his rivals, Dugan and Notter, which consisted of waiting too far and too long in the rear before making a real effort to overhaul the flying leader. When Dugan and Notter began their belated moves the race quickly resolved itself into a three-furlong duel, Mediant, which secured a tremendous advantage of a long lead over his opponents in favor of the lightly weighted Sanford colt. Although closing with great bounds and going about two feet to the eventual winner's one, the favorites were not able to quite get up.

The fact that the Whitney horses have thus far proved unsuccessful, notwithstanding their evident first-class condition, is beginning to be commented upon. In at least three instances, Dugan and Notter, who have been the responsible factor for their failure to score. Trainer A. J. Joyner returned from the inner field, where he had been stationed during the race, in a very unpleasant frame of mind. He said later that the riding of both boys, particularly Notter, had been atrocious and directly contrary to instructions. The stable had declared with Royal Tourist.

The tabular history of the Huron Handicap is as follows:

Year.	Winner.	Wt.	Jockey.	Val.	Time.
1901	The Rhymester	108	H. Cochran	\$1,600	2:03
1902	Shorthorn	119	Haack	1,755	2:04
1903	Shorthorn	119	Haack	1,755	2:04
1904	Bedouin	122	Hildebrand	2,060	2:01
1905	Bedouin	115	Shaw	1,795	2:00
1906	Content	113	W. Miller	1,705	2:00
1907	Kennetho	106	W. Miller	2,300	2:00
1908	Sir John Johnson	95	Sweet	500	1:58

Proceedings began with one of those splendid two-year-old struggles which have been of such pleasing frequency during this meeting. Nine juveniles of the second grade faced the starter. Dugan, who represented by Joe Madden and Schleswig, which closed favorites at 9 to 5. Neither of the pair was ever in the hunt, the winner turning up in H. B. Duryea's first filly, Mediant, which scored in runaway style in the fastest time of the meet, 1:56 flat, incidentally equaling the track record made by Ada May six years ago. Preceptor, which relinquished second honor, was a close runner in stride, pulled up quite late. The Newmarket Stakes is having bad luck in that respect. Explosion going wrong the day before. The hard and alleged uneven track has been the cause of the recent breakdowns.

Woodcraft confirmed the correctness of his recent defeat of Jacobite by taking the purse renewal of the Seneca Stakes in such fast time as to make him out quite a sprinter under light weight.

The tabular history of the Seneca Selling Stakes is given below:

Year.	Winner.	Wt.	Jockey.	Val.	Time.
1901	The Musketeer	111	Shaw	\$1,800	1:13
1902	Delago	108	Shaw	2,010	1:13
1903	Castellan	109	T. Burns	1,280	1:17
1904	Divination	104	J. Martin	2,255	1:13
1905	Incantation	104	T. Burns	1,830	1:14
1906	Ben Ban	104	W. Knapp	1,800	1:15
1907	J. C. C.	104	W. Miller	1,895	1:14
1908	Woodcraft	94	Sweet	355	1:12

The over-Sunday rumors that Governor Hughes might take a hand in the conduct of racing here, as unverified as they were, had a slight deterrent effect on the attendance. Extra precautions have been taken to see that the strict and inflexible Judge Bischoff's decision allowing oral betting was strictly followed up to. Special efforts are also being made to prevent layers from exposing odds.

Yesterday three men were barred from the track by the Pinkertons for transgressing the rules with reference to recording wagers. The extra precautions taken today would seem to indicate that all concerned are intent on living up strictly to the anti-betting law as construed by the Supreme Court of the state.

During the day the edict went forth to close all gambling houses, and it is expected that the id will be on tight tonight and remain so for the rest of the meeting.

Plans for perfecting the organization of a local branch of the Personal Liberty League were discussed at a meeting of 250 prominent citizens and lay payers of Saratoga in Convention Hall last night. A temporary committee was appointed to investigate the best plan for organization. Secretary Thorpe, New York, stated the purpose for which the league had been formed. He forthrightly suggested that one of the local members take the chair and that the Saratogans discuss among themselves the best plan for effecting a permanent organization. Herman L. Waterbury, president of the Business Men's Association, was chosen temporary chairman.

J. W. May will ship his horses to Fort Erie tonight.

High Range is the colt that Madden first sold to George Odum, who subsequently went back on the deal. Jule Garson bought him on Saturday for \$2,000 and he ran in his colors today.

The track has been industriously scraped for the past two days. This explains each succeeding day's faster time in races.

Woodcraft, winner of the fifth race, was bid up from \$600 to \$1,500 by former jockey Joe Jones. Mr. Madden bought him in with an extra \$3,000. Jones is reported to have been acting on behalf of Charles T. Henshall.

Sammy Sweet, Thomas H. Williams' apprentice jockey, rode three winners today.

The fleet Mediant is the result of the mating of two high-priced racehorses, Mediant and Ballantrae, the winner of the Cambridgehire Ballantrae and Spectrum were purchased together for \$35,000 by the late William C. Whitney. After his death they passed into the possession of Clarence H. Mackay.

SOME CLOSE FINISHES AT FORT ERIE.

King's Daughter Defeats Dennis Stafford by Inches in a Very Fast Race.

Buffalo, N. Y., August 4.—The standard of high-class racing that has been the order since the opening of the meeting at Fort Erie was maintained this afternoon, and in some of the races, the finishes were of the closest kind and required a keen eye to determine the winner. A noteworthy feature was that all the winners were shipped here from the recently abandoned Latonia meeting. Although the majority of favorites were downed, the layers did not profit much, as all the winners were supported. Followers of T. C. McDowell's stable had a banner day, as, in addition to winning a handicap with King's Daughter, his other representative, Mirth, won the following race.

The handicap was a grand and fast-run race. Dennis Stafford, favorite, set a tremendously stiff pace from the barrier's rise. The others were well in for three-quarters, but at this point it appeared as if the three-year-old would have comparatively easy sailing through the stretch to land the purse. But Powers called on King's Daughter, and, finding her willing, she began closing up the gap separating her from the leader and gaining steadily, got up in the last stride. The rider and mare were given an ovation on their return to the judges' stand.

Another heart-breaking finish, which gave the backers of the heavily supported short-priced filly, for a few anxious moments before the judges displayed the result, came in the third race when Lady Carol, Belmore and Director were so close at the finish that none outside of the judges could tell with any degree of certainty which had won. The awarding of the purse to Director was greeted with loud applause. Director was considered the best betting proposition of the afternoon, but E. Martin was too tight to handle so heavily-headed a horse and came near causing his defeat.

Joe Galtens was entirely overlooked, despite that he had run some creditable races at Latonia, but he made good after standing a hard drive that lasted almost for the entire trip. Stroneland being his closest contender throughout. Utterance, after steady backing, made good in the opening race rather handsily, the favorite, Mayfield, finishing second. The two closing races were at seven furlongs and the start is at an angle that causes much crowding. Mirth and Margaret T. were most lucky and escaped interference. They both won. Balla, which started in the fifth race, was caught in the jam that followed soon after the start and was so badly cut down that it is probable she will have secreted in framing his conditions in the future, eliminate seven furlong races.

Judge Murphy received a telegram today from W. A. Pinkerton stating that the Jockey Club had nothing to say in the matter, and, as the association here has nothing against him, he will be allowed to book.

Sweet Pippin had to be excused from starting in the second race on account of sickness.

Jockey E. Walsh was suspended by the starter for six days for disobedience at the post. Jockey Ott was fined \$25 for a similar offense.

A. J. Cella will ship fifteen horses to Montreal after the close of this meeting.

Jockey Gullett was suspended for ten days by the starter yesterday.

Jockey's Warren, Minder and Fairbrother, who are in the hospital, were reported improved today. Jockey J. Butler will in future ride for W. H. Elzer, having given that owner first call on his services.

ENGLISH TURF RECORD HOLDERS.

Notable Bits of Speed in Racing on the Other Side of the Atlantic.

Out of recent discussions and comparisons with American time the London Sportsman prints a table of English "fast times," as follows:

5-8 mile—Bill Diamond, 6. 134 pounds, Epsom, May 27, 1908.

5-8 mile—Le Buff, 7. 134 pounds, Epsom, May 29, 1903.

5-8 mile—Master Willie, 7. 133 pounds, Epsom, May 27, 1903.

3-4 mile—Master Willie, 5. 123 pounds, Epsom, June 6, 1901.

1 mile—Caiman, 4. 128 pounds, Lingfield, July 13, 1900.

Rowley mile—Scilla, 11. 130 pounds, Lingfield, July 13, 1900.

3. 126 pounds, Newmarket, May 5, 1897.

1-4 mile—Australian Star, 6. 125 pounds, Alexandria Park, July 5, 1902.

1-3-8 mile—Bachelors' Stakes, 5. 126 pounds, Liverpool, July 22, 1904.

1-3-8 mile—Dean Swift, 7. 137 pounds, Liverpool, July 24, 1908.

1-1-2 mile—Spate, 5. 106 pounds, Newbury, June 25, 1908.

1-1-2 mile—Aitship, 4. 108 pounds, Manchester, June 16, 1905.

1-1-2 mile—Horizel, 4. 123 pounds, Manchester, June 6, 1895.

RICHARD CROKER SELLS THREE YOUNGSTERS

Richard Croker has sold to F. J. Benson with their engagements the yearling colt, The Battler, and two-year-olds, Alabama and Levalto, with all their engagements. It is pointed that Mr. Croker is to reduce his racing stable before he leaves for America this fall. He has been far from lucky this season. Rhodora's bad form and Orby's complete breakdown have seriously disappointed him.

The Battler is a chestnut colt by Lesterlin or Clonmel, out of Rhoda B., dam of Rhodora, Orby and Alabama. He is in the Rous Memorial Stakes of 1909 and Sandown, Eclipse, Atlantic Stakes, Chester Vase, Jockey Club Stakes and Princess of Wales Stakes of 1910.

Alabama is a chestnut filly by Americus—Rhoda B., and has twenty-two stake engagements in this and future seasons, among them the Derby and Oaks of 1909 and the rich futures of 1910.

Levalto is a chestnut by Levenoy, out of Latona H., and was purchased by Mr. Croker a year ago from E. Flannery. He was engaged in nine stakes for 1908, and has four 1908 and six 1909 engagements before him. In the Great Yorkshire Plate, Tattersalls Stakes, Imperial Produce and Middle Park in 1908, and in 1909 he is in the Derby, Chester Vase, St. Leger, St. George Stakes, Atlantic Stakes, Royal Stakes and Great Yorkshire Stakes.

TOUPEE TIES AN AMERICAN RECORD.

Seattle, Wash., August 4.—William Gabriel's rejuvenated sprinter, Toupee, made a new track record and equaled the American record for six furlongs, made by Roseben at Belmont Park in October, 1905, by running the distance in 1:11 in winning the Ravenna Handicap, the feature of today's card at The Meadows. Several careful timers caught the time for the race a trifle faster than the figures officially hung out and it seems altogether probable that had Toupee been hard pressed to win the race he could have done appreciably better. The horse actually won with ease with such celebrities as Gommell, Tony Faust and Sugarbald vainly striving to keep up with him. His feat of today followed a series of impressive victories in selling races. Toupee was one of two winning favorites, Uncle Henry being the other.

William Walker boosted the greatly improved Fred Bent from \$1,200 to \$1,400, but did not get him. Walker has sold Tavora to T. F. Niland for \$1,000. Jockey C. Koerner arrived today from New York to ride for S. C. Hildreth. Koerner is under contract to ride 107 races.

Jockey Carroll was suspended for a week and Scoville for three days because of disobedience at the post.

SARATOGA FORM CHART.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 1908. WEATHER CLEAR. TRACK FAST.

Fifth day. The Saratoga Association. Summer Meeting of 15 days. Presiding Judge, Clarence McDowell. Starter, Mars Cassidy. Secretary, Andrew Miller.

Racing starts at 2:30 p. m. (Chicago time 1:30 p. m.). W indicates whip, S spurs, B blinkers. Figures in parentheses following the distance of each race indicate index number, track record, age of horse and weight carried.

76347 FIRST RACE—5 1-2 Furlongs. (34263-1:06-2-111.) \$500 added. 2-year-olds. Handicap. Net value to winner \$540.

Ind	Horses	A	W	P	P	S	T	Str	Fin	Jockeys	Owners	O	H	C	P	S
76347	MEDIANT	W	113	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	D. Mc'Carthy	H. B. Duryea	4	4	18-56-5	3-6
76348	SEA CLIFF	W	107	8	4	1	1	1	1	1	H. P. Whitney	H. P. Whitney	4	6	15-53	1-2
76349	PRECEPTOR	W	120	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	Notter	Newcastle Stable	20	20	20	10
76350	MADMAN	W	105	6	8	7	4	3	4	2	Sweet	A. Belmont	20	20	20	10
76351	HOPEMAN	W	102	2	5	4	3	4	3	2	Musgrave	J. Sanford	15	30	20	10
76352	JOE MADDEN	W	117	5	6	5	8	6	6	6	C. H. Shillig	J. E. Madden	2	11-59-5	7-101-4	
76353	SCHLESWIG	W	112	9	1	2	8	7	7	7	Shreve	J. E. Madden	2	11-59-5	7-101-4	
76354	TABOO	W	103	7	9	8	6	8	8	8	H. Smith	Chelsea Stable	15	30	20	10
76355	DIRECT	W	120	1	7	9	9	9	9	9	McCahey	W. J. Young	10	25	20	8

*Coupled in betting; no separate place or show betting.

Time, 11. 22. 34. 47. 58. 1:06.

Winner—B. f. by Medlar—Ballantrae (trained by J. Higgins). Went to post at 2:32. At post 3 minutes. Start good. Won easily; second and third driving. Mediant drew out quickly, held sway by a safe margin to the end and was much the best. Sea Cliff, outpaced in the early running, finished with a great stretch sprint and is a stayer. Preceptor, after a brief early lead, was in nearest pursuit in the middle running, but tired in the final drive and pulled up lame. Madman, away poorly, closed a big gap into a fast going fourth. Hoffman, a good looker, ran forward for a half mile, then tired as if still short and is promising. Schleswig, shuffled to the rear early and not ready, is a crack looker. Taboo, away very badly, steadily improved her position. Direct was hopelessly outpaced all the way.

Scratched—(76352) Connaught Ranger, 116; (76354) Petticoat, 104; Michael Beck, 108.

76348 SECOND RACE—1 Mile. (48348-1:37-3-112.) \$400 added. 3-year-olds and upward. Selling. Net value to winner \$375.

Ind	Horses	A	W	P	P	S	T	Str	Fin	Jockeys	Owners	O	H	C	P	S
76348	PINS AND NEEDLES	W	106	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	Sweet	H. L. Lee	25	18-53	4-5-1-3	
76349	FANCY	W	102	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	H. P. Whitney	H. P. Whitney	6-5	8-5	1-2-1-4	
76350	POLLY WATTS	W	91	1	2	4	3	2	2	2	Lang	J. Sanford	4	4	3-4-5-1-3	
76351	IMPORT	W	90	5	1	3	5	4	4	4	Musgrave	F. W. Healey	6	10	10	3
76352	KILLOCHAN	W	103	2	7	7	7	7	7	7	J. Duffy	J. Duffy	15	30	20	8
76353	LALLY	W	98	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	Yorke	T. Monahan	8	10	10	3

Time, 13. 25. 37. 49. 1:02. 1:14. 1:40.

Winner—B. f. by Knight of the Thistle—Sandy Bar (trained by W. O. Scully).

Went to post at 2:58. At post 1 minute. Start good. Won driving; second and third the same. Pins and Needles ran in forward pursuit from the start and saved a winning advantage in a close stretch turn, getting up in the last stride. Fancy made the running, but went very wide on the stretch turn and was badly bumped by Polly Watts, allowing Pins and Needles to steal up unperceived on the inside. Polly last turn, but was carried hopelessly wide and repeatedly bumped in the early running, challenged the leader on the import ran well up throughout and was a game and close up fourth. Killochan was always within hailing distance and held on well. Lally, outpaced early, trailed from the start, but finished fast and wants a longer route. The winner was entered for \$1,500; no bid.

Scratched—(76350) Woodcraft, 93; (76352) Greeno, 101; (76353) Overt, 98; (76354) Easton, 106.

76349 THIRD RACE—5 1-2 Furlongs. (34263-1:06-2-111.) \$400 added. 2-year-olds. Selling. Net value to winner \$380.

Ind	Horses	A	W	P	P	S	T	Str	Fin	Jockeys	Owners	O	H	C	P	S
76349	HIGH RANGE	W	112	7	2	1	1	1	1	1	C. H. Shillig	J. Garson	7-5	8-5	8-6	3-5-1-4
76350	THE GARDENER	W	102	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	D. Mc'Carthy	H. B. Duryea	5	6	6	2
76351	COTTYTTO	W	98	8	5	2	2	2	2	2	McCahey	A. B. Spreckels	5	3	3	1
76352	MIDSHIPMAN EASY	W	105	4	1	3	3	3	3	3	H. P. Whitney	H. P. Whitney	10	15	12	4
76353	VARIATION	W	102	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	Notter	T. P. Hayes	8	12	8	3
76354	LASATA	W	103	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	Musgrave	Glennville Stable	8	10	10	4
76355	ROCK ORE	W	94	1	8	8	8	8	8	8	Sweet	F. R. Hitchcock	4	5	4	5

Time, 11. 22. 34. 47. 58. 1:06.

Winner—Br. c. by Galore—Matterhorn (trained by J. Garson).

Went to post at 3:28. At post 2 minutes. Start good. Won driving; second and third the same. High Range, from a flying start, held a small lead under pressure throughout and scored a lucky win. The Gardener, always within striking distance, came through on the inside with a great stretch sprint. Cottyttoo broke slowly and was carried wide and repeatedly bumped in the early running, challenged the leader on the inside through the closing drive and is still short. Variation was never dangerous, although he was up and fire furlongs. Lasata, away slowly, made up ground well at the end. Rock Ore, a good looker, showed early speed and is not ready. Cliff, pinched off at the start, trailed leisurely all the way. The winner was entered for \$1,000; no bid.

Scratched—(76350) Edwin L., 106; (76351) Westmore, 106; (76352) Fredonia, 101.

Overweights—Variation, 1 pound; Rock Ore, 1.

76350 FOURTH RACE—1-3-16 Miles. (70582-1:58-4-119.) Huron Handicap. \$600 added. 3-year-olds. Selling. Net value to winner \$500.

Ind	Horses	A	W	P	P	S	T	Str	Fin	Jockeys	Owners	O	H	C	P	S
76350	SIR J. JOHNSON	W	95	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	Sweet	J. Sanford	13-516-53	4-5	1-2	
76351	ROYAL TOURIST	W	112	2	3	2	2	2	2	2	H. P. Whitney	H. P. Whitney	*1-3	1-3	2-7	out
76352	DELIUM	W	107	4	1	3	3	3	3	3	Notter	H. P. Whitney	*1-3	1-3	2-7	out
76353	OBERT	W	107	4	1	3	3	3	3	3	D. Mc'Carthy	J. Dacey	20	40	40	4

*Coupled in betting; no separate place or show betting.

Time, 11. 24. 37. 49. 1:14. 1:27. 1:39. 1:52. 1:58.

Winner—B. c. by Isidor—La Tosca II. (trained by W. Hayward, Jr.).

Went to post at 3:53. At post 1 minute. Start good. Won driving; second and third the same. Sir John Johnson made the early running, but was carried wide and repeatedly bumped in the early running, challenged the leader on the inside through the closing drive and is still short. Royal Tourist, away slowly, made up ground well at the end. Delirium, taken back hopelessly out of the race, also failed to get up, but closed up a half dozen lengths in the last three furlongs. Obert, close up from the start and in front of Delirium at the end of six furlongs, dropped far to the rear when the real racing began.

Scratched—(76353) Golconda, 95.

Overweights—Obert, 1 pound.

76351 FIFTH RACE—3-4 Mile. (70407-1:11-3-122.) Seneca Stakes. \$400 added. 3-year-olds. Selling. Net value to winner \$355.

Ind		Horses		A	W	P	P	S	T	Str	Fin	Jockeys	Owners	O	H	C	P	S
76351	WOODCRAFT	W	94	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	F. R. Hitchcock	F. R. Hitchcock	6-5	7-5	1-2-6-1-5		
76352	ADRIUCHE	W	109	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	W. Miller	J. Sanford	10	15	10	3	1-5
76353	GOWAN	W	105	1	4	6	4	4	4	4	4	S. H. Philp	J. Caffrey	4	8	5	7-5	3-3
76354	ADRIAN	W	106	5	3	3	12	2	4	4	4	E. Dugan	H. P. Whitney	3	4	4	6-5	1-2
76355	WOODCRAFT	W	101	4	3	4	6	3	3	3	3	D. McCreth	H. B. Duryea	3	3	3	3	1-2-5
76356	ADRIAN	W	97	9	8	8	23	8	8	8	8	McCahey	MilltownStable	12	15	19	3	1
				Time,				12 ² , 24 ⁴ , 36, 48, 1:12 ² .										
Winner—B. g. by Octagon—Wood nymph (trained by J. E. Madden).																		
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FORT ERIE FORM CHART.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 1908. WEATHER CLEAR. TRACK FAST.

Eighth day. Niagara Racing Association. Summer Meeting of 30 days. (28 books on.)

Presiding Judge, Joseph A. Murphy. Starter, A. B. Dade. Secretary, E. W. Maginn.

Racing starts at 2:45 p. m. (Chicago time 1:45 p. m.). W indicates whip, S spurs, B blinkers. Figures in parentheses following the distance of each race indicate index number, track record, age of horse and weight carried.

76353 FIRST RACE—3-4 Mile. (64246-1:11 1/2-3-112.) Purse \$400. 3-year-olds. Maidens.

Special Weights. Net value to winner \$300.

Ind	Horses	A	W	P	P	St	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Jockeys	Owners	O	H	C	P	S
75846	UTTERANCE	W	105	4	5	3	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	J. Butler	Gallagher Bros	7	2	5	2	1
76245	MAYCELLA	W	105	3	1	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Kennedy	J. & F. Nugent	7	2	5	2	5
76152	CROYDON	W	107	7	7	8	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	Troxler	P. Gallagher	4	6	6	2	0
75825	ORIENTAL QUEEN	W	105	5	8	9	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	Powers	H. Holle	4	4	4	8	5
76257	CALTHA	W	105	9	8	9	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	J. Bergen	J. C. Miller	7	8	8	3	8

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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, AUGUST 5, 1908.
The horses which seem best in Wednesday's races are:

Saratoga—Saratoga, N. Y., August 4.
1—Woodcraft, The Squirt, Kenneyto.
2—Bayonet, Bat, St. Nick.
3—Maskette, Wedding Bells, Miss Kearney.
4—Campanella, Orphan Lad, D'Arkle.
5—Court Lady, Summer Night, Merry Gift.
6—Kentucky Beau, Purslane, Colonel White.
H. Forslund.

Fort Erie—Fort Erie, Ont., August 4.
1—Imperial, Stowaway, Malecon.
2—Imperial, Stowaway, Malecon.
3—Miss Alert, Hostile Hyphen, Servile.
4—Berwick, Apache, Magazine.
5—Aralia, Landlord, Serenade.
6—Jolly, Elizabeth, Harwood, Theo Cook.
7—Camille, Dele Strone, Eminola.
T. K. Lynch.

The Meadows—Seattle, Wash., August 4.
1—Abby, Blunt, Polly.
2—Lula G., Novgorod, Nasmerito.
3—Fern L., Kerry, Burleigh.
4—Edwin Gum, Cadicheon, Green Seal.
5—Pickaway, Adela R., Harkniss.
6—Johnstown, Sachet, Prince Nay.
J. R. Jeffery.

STATUS OF NEW YORK'S RACING TURMOIL.
Jockey Club Not Disturbed by Threats of Efforts to Close the Tracks.

New York, August 4.—Acting District Attorney Elder's recent conference with Governor Hughes has been followed by wild reports and vaguely outlined suggestions of new things impending for the discomfiture of racing men and the imperiling of race tracks. Nothing is very definite. It is said the governor, for one thing, may remove the sheriff of Saratoga County and for another that the sheriff of Kings County is in danger of similar action. There does not seem to be much substance to the reports in general. The only really definite thing is Governor Hughes' calling of an extraordinary term of the Supreme Court to try the case of alleged violation of the betting laws, with an up-state judge presiding.

In explaining the appointment of Justice Watson M. Rogers to try the race track cases, at the extraordinary term of the Supreme Court to be held in Brooklyn, Mr. Elder casually remarked that Judge Dike, who has been sitting throughout the session of the grand jury, intends to sail for Europe August 29, and the first race track cases are not scheduled for trial until five days later. It was deemed advisable, Mr. Elder said, to assign an up-state judge to the cases.

Talk about building up the gates of the tracks does not appear to alarm the Jockey Club lawyers. Several of them, when asked for an opinion as to the report that an effort would be made to close the tracks altogether, said that each track was operating under a license issued by the State Racing Commission, that it was stipulated in the Percy-Gray

law that the tracks could legally conduct horse races and that the grand jury in its presentment last week admitted that there was no way to close the tracks unless by special legislation which would make the racing itself a crime.

"If a move is made to close the tracks," said one attorney, "heavy damage suits will be brought against the county of Kings. Furthermore, operating under a state license, the tracks can easily get an injunction. What has the new law accomplished? It has absolutely killed bookmaking. It has killed open betting with cash and has reduced attendance figures and gate receipts about 70 per cent. The betting ring is empty. There are no bookmakers any more because sheet writing and the posting of odds are impossible. They are going on at the tracks? Credit speculation among friends who trust one another and who bet in accordance with the Bischoff decision. It is true that men who were once bookmakers are there and that they bet with friends on the track, but they do not violate the law in any way. That point will be shown clearly when some of these cases get a trial."

Justice Blanchard's refusal to grant a permanent injunction against the police department restraining the pincoats from dispersing crowds and groups at the Sheepshead Bay track has caused some anxiety among race track patrons, but a police official said yesterday:

"The police will preserve order at the tracks when racing is resumed here. We will arrest all persons who record wagers or accept cash wagers, but we cannot interfere with persons who may make oral wagers with one another and are credited by the Bischoff decision. Our instructions probably will be to allow patrons of the track to do what and go where they please after they enter the enclosure, provided they do not violate the law."

HOPEFUL OF NEW ORLEANS RACING.
Charles S. Bush, for many years controller of racing at New Orleans and president of the Crescent City Jockey Club, does not think racing at New Orleans has been killed. He says he is hopeful of seeing it again. "I think we will see racing in New Orleans this winter under the oral betting system. There is no law against that, as I understand it. Lawyers state there are many flaws in the recent bill passed by the legislature by a narrow majority, but even with the law I look for racing."

"It may be necessary to reduce purses and stakes to enable the tracks to live, but horsemen probably will be glad to race for smaller purses if they are assured of non-interference. Racing means much to the business interests of our city, and they are favorable to the tracks when properly conducted."

LATEST MEXICAN RACING SCHEME.
The Aguascalientes, Mexico, racing scheme is explained in the Mexican Herald of July 26, just to hand. That paper says:

"Alejandro de la Arena, of the racing committee of the Jockey Club, has obtained a concession for a race track with betting, either bookmaking or pari-mutuels, or other forms, at Aguascalientes. The tract of land where the race track is to be built is covered by the concession and he expects to leave early in August for New York and Chicago, for the purpose of interesting racing men in the United States. He will organize a big company and start to work on his course at the earliest possible date."

"Mr. Arena has just returned to Mexico after an absence of several weeks from the city at his hacienda, El Sauclillo, in the state of Aguascalientes. He spent considerable time in the city of Aguascalientes, where he completed, with the authorities, the details of his concession."

"Aguascalientes is an ideal place for winter racing, in the opinion of Mr. Arena, and there will be the additional attraction of the waters as well. It is thought that a fine course can be built, as the life of the concession will be for at least fifteen years."

"There is plenty of local interest in racing at Aguascalientes, and often on the match races, which are from time to time run there, as much as \$60,000 to \$70,000 is bet on the race. The course, however, is expected to attract a large number of race lovers from the United States and the owners and horses will almost all come from across the border. Horsemen in the United States have now no available place for racing in winter except California, nor, as a matter of fact, in the summer time, either, except such races as may be held on the Kentucky tracks of Lexington, Latonia and Churchill Downs. In the east racing continues, but under precarious conditions."

"Aguascalientes is not so far into Mexico that it would deter the horsemen from coming from the United States, and with the open concession for the betting, this would have an additional attraction."

"The concession covers any form of betting on the races, but bookmaking will undoubtedly be put in if present plans are carried out."

"It is expected that the first meeting will be held in the spring of 1909."

SEATTLE ENTRIES.
Probabilities: Weather clear; track fast.
Racing starts at 2 p. m. (Chicago time, 4 p. m.)
Runs well in mud. Superior mud runner.

First Race—3-4 Mile.
(Track record: 76362-1:11 1/2-3-112.)
3-year-olds and upward. Selling.

Ind.	Horse	Rec.	A.	Wt.	Hdp.
76140	YANK	1:11 1/2	4	129	725
76255	Blondy	1:12 1/2	4	132	720
76255	Antony Polly	1:13	10	127	715
76255	Abbey	1:13 1/2	7	95	705
76122	Diamond	1:11 1/2	6	129	710
76254	Blue Bottle	1:17	4	129	710
76254	E. C. Runt	1:15 1/2	7	129	710
76254	Gallop	1:14 1/2	3	118	705
76254	Royal Queen	1:14 1/2	3	118	705
76254	Forest Rose	1:19	7	119	700
76254	Cement	1:12 1/2	3	121	700

Second Race—5-8 Mile.
(Track record: August 1, 1905—5:34-3-97.)
2-year-olds. Allowances.

Ind.	Horse	Rec.	A.	Wt.	Hdp.
76203	Novgorod	1:01 1/2	107	725	
76342	Lula G.	1:01 1/2	107	720	
76277	Nasmerito	1:01	110	715	
75988	Instant	1:02 1/2	103	710	
76254	Lady Quality	1:02 1/2	107	705	
76254	Angelface	1:02 1/2	107	705	
76254	Provedore	1:02	102	700	

Third Race—5-1-2 Furlongs.
(Track record: July 20, 1907—1:06-4-102.)
3-year-olds and upward. Selling.

Ind.	Horse	Rec.	A.	Wt.	Hdp.
76344	Fern L.	1:06 1/2	3	97	725
76323	Burleigh	1:06 1/2	7	110	720
76323	Kerry	1:07	3	95	715
76303	Nattie Bumpo	1:08 1/2	6	100	715
76100	Mechlin	1:07 1/2	4	101	710
76344	Burning Bush	1:06	4	106	705
76250	Gallop	1:07	7	95	700
76303	Spohn	1:07	3	94	690
76344	Feminine	1:07	3	102	690

Fourth Race—1-1-6 Miles.
(Track record: August 14, 1907—1:44-4-108.)
3-year-olds and upward. Handicap.

Ind.	Horse	Rec.	A.	Wt.	Hdp.
76255	Edwin Gum	1:45 1/2	5	110	750
76255	Cadicheon	1:45 1/2	5	110	740
76279	Green Seal	1:45 1/2	4	102	735
76233	Pedro	1:46 1/2	4	102	730

Fifth Race—1 Mile and 50 Yards.
(Track record: August 11, 1906—1:44-4-100.)
3-year-olds and upward. Selling.

Ind.	Horse	Rec.	A.	Wt.	Hdp.
76300	Adela	1:40	4	109	725
76327	Harkniss	1:43 1/2	3	104	720
76126	Pickaway	1:43 1/2	3	104	715
76303	Monvina	1:44	4	106	715
76286	Lithol	1:43 1/2	3	98	710
76290	Al Ablaze	1:43 1/2	3	98	705
76303	Midmont	1:44 1/2	5	104	705
76327	Liberto	1:44 1/2	7	104	700
76327	May L.	1:44 1/2	4	106	700
76345	Colonel Jewell	1:46 1/2	5	104	700

Sixth Race—3-4 Mile.
(Track record: 76362-1:11 1/2-3-112.)
3-year-olds and upward. Allowances.

Ind.	Horse	Rec.	A.	Wt.	Hdp.
76278	Johnstown	1:18	5	109	725
76300	Prince Nap	1:18	5	106	720
76278	May L.	1:18 1/2	3	104	715
76345	Sea Lad	1:18 1/2	5	101	715
76101	Tetanus	1:18 1/2	4	102	710
76314	Salable	1:13 1/2	6	101	710
76345	Beautiful and Best	1:13 1/2	8	104	705
76345	Distributor	1:15	7	101	705
76258	Gizana	1:15	3	93	705
76234	Capable	1:16	8	101	700
76324	Sachet	1:16	4	97	700
76359	Othmar	1:16	3	99	700

The figures under "Rec." in above entries show the best time made by the horse at the distance since January 1, 1906. This time is not necessarily made by a winner. It may be the estimated time of a losing performance.

Ind.	Horses	A	W	P	P	St	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Jockeys	Owners	O	H	C	P	S
76243	LIGNANDO	W	110	6	3	4	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Nicol	P. Dunne	6	8	8	3	7
76243	LADY CORINNE	W	105	11	13	10	8	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	T. Rice	C. F. Bickett	6	8	8	3	7
76058	ALOMAR	W	105	11	13	10	8	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	F. Foley	W. Gerst	6	8	8	3	7
76292	IMP. O' LIGHT	W	107	12	10	11	10	10	10	10	10	E. Martin	A. L. Smith	5	6	6	2	0
76287	SLATER	W	107	10	4	7	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	W. Ott	R. F. Carman	10	12	12	4	8
76038	BAYARDO	W	105	12	9	6	11	11	11	11	11	F. Burton	L. Zahn	5	6	6	2	0
76346	QUEEN'S DAUGHTER	W	105	8	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	Deverich	G. W. J. Bissell	12	15	15	6	3

Winner—Ch. f. by Goodrich—Antiope (trained by J. C. Gallagher).
Went to post at 2:44. At post 3 minutes. Start fair. Won easily; second and third driving. Utterance, ways prominent, moved up with a rush after going a half and, wearing Maycella down in the stretch, won going away. Maycella ran a good race and had no mishaps. Croydon came from a long way back in the stretch and finished gamely. Oriental Queen tired after going a good half. Lignando quit. Caltha closed a big gap.
Scratched—76198 C. J. Cella, 110; 71225 Vasantia, 105.
Overweights—Lignando, 3 pounds.

76354 SECOND RACE—5-1-2 Furlongs. (76313-1:06 1/2-4-112.) Purse \$400. 2-year-olds.

Selling. Net value to winner \$300.

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